

Ada Gilchrist Allred

1850-1950 Centennial Biography

Ada Gilchrist Allred was born in Lehi, Utah, November 25, 1891, the daughter of Robert T. and Mary Jane Willes Gilchrist. She was the ninth child of a family of ten children.

When a young girl, she took an active part in church affairs, being a teacher in Sunday School, community and Mutual Improvement Association. When a very small child, her brother John took herself and her sister Janet on a hand sleigh out on the pond that their father had made in the old Locust Grove lot. The ice started breaking under them, so John turned and ran fast for the shore, pulling them after him. They just made it.

Ada was a lover of music and dramatics in both of which she took an active part most of her life.

She married Herman Elisha Allred November 20, 1912. From this union, six children were born, one girl and five boys. When their first child was seven months old, they built a home on a ranch west of the Jordan River where they lived until 1937. Their family then moved back to Lehi and to the Fourth Ward where Ada was born. She was then put in as Relief Society Visiting Teacher, a position she held ever since. She also served on the refreshment committee of the ward Relief Society for eight years.